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SUBJECT: USSR SUPREME SOVIET OPENS DECEMBER 2

1. PRAVDA ANNOUNCED NEXT SESSION OF USSR SUPREME SOVIET OPENS DECEMBER 2. NO AGENDA ANNOUNCED BUT LIKELY ITEMS ARE: 1976 ECONOMIC PLAN AND BUDGET; NEW LAW ON CITIZENSHIP; CONFIRMATION OF UKASES. GOSPLAN CHIEF BAYBAKOV AND FINANCE MINISTER GARBUZOV PROBABLY WILL REPORT ON THE PLAN AND BUDGET.

2. NEW DRAFT LAW ON "USSR CITIZENSHIP" WAS REVIEWED AT OCTOBER 24 JOINT SESSION OF LEGISLATIVE PROPOSALS
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COMMISSIONS OF BOTH HOUSES OF SUPREME SOVIET, BUT NO

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON CONTENTS OF THE DRAFT BILL IS AVAILABLE. HOWEVER, SUCH A LAW WOULD BE OF OBVIOUS INTEREST FOR CONSULAR OPERATIONS AND PERHAPS FOR EMIGRATION PROCEDURES.

3. CENTRAL COMMITTEE CPSU PLEM MAY PRECEDE TRADITIONAL BUDGETARY SESSION OF SUPREME SOVIET., LIKELY AGENDA ITEMS ARE THE LEGISLATIVE AGENDA AND ANNOUNCEMENT OF SPEAKERS AND AGENDA FOR 25TH PARTY CONGRESS WHICH OPENS FEBRUARY 24. IT IS ALSO POSSIBLE THAT PERSONNEL CHANGES WILL BE ANNOUNCED AT THE PLENUM, ALTHOUGH WE HAVE NO SPECIFIC INFORMATION TO SUPPORT THIS. MOST CONSPICUOUS VACANCIES AT THIS MOMENT ARE PARTY SECRETARY FOR CULTURE AND THE VACANCY LEFT BY SHELEPIN'S OUSTER AS HEAD OF THE TRADE UNIONS. (INFORMED SOVIET OFFICIALS HAVE SUGGESTED THAT A. V. VIKTOROV MAY BE GIVEN THIS POST BUT WITHOUT THE POLITBURO SEAT PREVIOUSLY ASSOCIATED WITH IT. IF THIS SCENARIO IS FOLLOWED, TRADE UNION ELECTION COULD PRECEDE PARTY PLENUM OR FOLLOW IT, BUT NO PLENUM ACTION WOULD BE NECESSARY.)

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